

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Opening Red Snapper Recreational Harvest

The season for the recreational harvest of red snapper in Louisiana state waters as outlined in LAC 76:VII.335 was previously closed on September 8, 2015. The bag and possession limit, as established in LAC 76:VII.335 is two red snapper per person per day. The recreational season for the harvest of red snapper in Louisiana state waters is hereby modified to be open during every day of the week effective from 12:01 a.m. November 20, 2015 until further notice.

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953, the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:967 which allows the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set finfish seasons, R.S. 56:326.3 which provides that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set seasons for saltwater finfish, and the authority given to the Secretary of the Department by the Commission in LAC 76:VII.335.G.5 to modify the recreational red snapper seasons and possession limits in Louisiana state waters when he deems necessary, the Secretary hereby declares:

The recreational fishery for red snapper in Louisiana state waters will open at 12:01 a.m. on November 20, 2015 and be open during every day of the week and shall remain open until further notice. The recreational bag and possession limit and minimum size limit for red snapper shall remain as established in LAC 76:VII.335.

Robert Barham
Secretary

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